

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The present application is a continuation of copending U.S. application serial no. 10/200,178. The present continuation application is submitted to further prosecute new Claims 1-8 set forth as the original claims in the present new application papers. New Claims 1-8 are somewhat similar to respective allowed Claims 1-8 in parent U.S. application serial no. 10/200,178. However, Claims 1-8 in the present new continuation application make minor clarifications and do not recite the term "means" to avoid reciting any features with "means-plus-function" limitations.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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